

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners:

Robert G. Taub, Chairman;  
Michael Kubayanda, Vice Chairman;  
Mark Acton;  
Ann C. Fisher; and  
Ashley E. Poling

Modifications of Mail Classification  
Schedule for International Mail

Docket No. MC2020-7

ORDER APPROVING MINOR  
CLASSIFICATION CHANGES

(November 8, 2019)

I. INTRODUCTION

On October 9, 2019, the Postal Service filed a notice of classification changes pursuant to 39 C.F.R. § 3020.90.<sup>1</sup> For the reasons discussed below, the Commission approves the proposed changes.

II. BACKGROUND

The Postal Service seeks “to make changes to the country price list for international mail that appears in Part D of the MCS [Mail Classification Schedule] in order to conform to official sources and improve the accuracy of the product

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<sup>1</sup> Notice of United States Postal Service of Minor Classification Changes, October 9, 2019 (Notice).

descriptions in the MCS.” Notice at 1. Specifically, the Postal Service proposes to replace “Macedonia, Republic of” with “North Macedonia, Republic of” in the country price lists for international mail. *Id.* Attachment.

The Postal Service asserts that the Notice satisfies the requirements set forth in 39 C.F.R. § 3020.90 because the proposed revisions “should result in the MCS more accurately representing the Postal Service’s current offerings and should allow mailers to more precisely locate pertinent information.” Notice at 1. The Postal Service points out that it filed its notice “no later than 15 days prior to the intended effective date” and that the proposed changes “merely make revisions concerning one possible destination for certain products listed in the MCS without otherwise changing those products or the prices or price groups....” *Id.* at 1-2. The Postal Service asserts that the proposed changes are not material because they do not significantly change the user experience for any product and that there is no evidence that the changes will significantly impact competitors. *Id.* at 2. The Postal Service requests an effective date of January 26, 2020, which is the planned date for implementation of market dominant and competitive product price changes.<sup>2</sup>

On October 10, 2019, the Commission issued an order pursuant to 39 C.F.R. § 3020.90 establishing the present docket, appointing a Public Representative, and providing interested persons with an opportunity to comment.<sup>3</sup>

### III. COMMENTS

The Public Representative submitted comments on November 6, 2019.<sup>4</sup> The Commission received no other comments. The Public Representative states that she “has reviewed the Notice, proposed classification changes, and applicable statutory and

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<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 1. See Docket No. R2020-1, United States Postal Service Notice of Market-Dominant Price Change, October 9, 2019; Docket No. CP2020-5, United States Postal Service Notice of Changes in Rates of General Applicability for Competitive Products, October 9, 2019.

<sup>3</sup> Notice and Order Concerning Minor Classification Change, October 10, 2019 (Order No. 5270).

<sup>4</sup> Public Representative Comments, November 6, 2019 (PR Comments).

regulatory provisions.” PR Comments at 1. Based upon her review, she concludes that “the proposed MCS changes are minor classification changes that comply with 39 C.F.R. § 3020.90.” *Id.* at 2.

#### IV. COMMISSION ANALYSIS

The Commission finds that the Postal Service’s proposed changes comply with 39 C.F.R. § 3020.90 and are not inconsistent with the provisions of title 39. The changes will improve the accuracy of the product descriptions in the MCS and should allow mailers to more precisely locate pertinent information. The changes will not otherwise change product offerings, prices, or price groups. Nor is there any evidence that the proposed changes will significantly change the user experience or significantly impact competitors.

#### V. ORDERING PARAGRAPHS

*It is ordered:*

1. The changes proposed in the Notice of United States Postal Service of Minor Classification Changes, filed in Docket No. MC2020-7 on October 9, 2019, are approved.
2. Revisions to the Mail Classification Schedule appear below the signature of this Order and are effective as of January 26, 2020.

By the Commission.

Darcie S. Tokioka  
Acting Secretary

## CHANGES TO THE MAIL CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE

The following material represents a change to the Mail Classification Schedule. The Commission uses two main conventions when making changes to the Mail Classification Schedule. New text is underlined. Deleted text is struck through.

### Part D—Country Price Lists for International Mail

Country	Market Dominant  SPFCMI <sup>1</sup>	Competitive						
		FCPIS <sup>2</sup>	International Expedited Services			PMI <sup>5</sup>	PMI Flat Rate Envelopes and Boxes <sup>5</sup>	IPA & ISAL <sup>6</sup>
			GXG <sup>3</sup>	PMEI <sup>4</sup>	PMEI Flat Rate Envelope <sup>4</sup>			

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